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**TWO MEN SENTENCED FOR CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT
MAIL FRAUD AGAINST IPS**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DEMETRIUS A. JACKSON, 41, Indianapolis, Indiana, was sentenced to six months home detention and GENE F. MARSHALL, 68, Lynwood, Illinois, was sentenced to 6 months imprisonment and 6 months home detention today by U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following their previously entered guilty pleas to conspiracy to commit mail fraud. This case was the result of an investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the Indianapolis Public Schools Police Department.

JACKSON AND MARSHALL are two of four defendants who conspired to defraud Indianapolis Public Schools of nearly \$200,000 by creating and submitting fraudulent invoices

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for services never provided to the school system.

Leading the conspiracy was TANGI L. JACKSON-NIBBS, who at the time was director of the IPS Management information Systems Department. She and her husband, KEVIN L. NIBBS, developed a scheme to create artificial businesses and then have those businesses submit fraudulent invoices to IPS for computer consultation services never performed. JACKSON-NIBBS would then approve the invoices for payment and caused IPS officials to pay the claims. The claims were paid to artificial businesses which had been created by the NIBBS and by TANGI L. JACKSON-NIBBS' brother-in-law, GENE F. MARSHALL. After the claims were paid, the payment checks were retrieved and negotiated by the NIBBS, MARSHALL, and by DEMETRIUS A. JACKSON, who is TANGI L. JACKSON-NIBBS' brother. The illegal proceeds were shared among the conspirators, but the great majority of the funds were ultimately received by TANGI L. JACKSON-NIBBS.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed two years supervised release following JACKSON's home detention and two years supervised release following MARSHALL'S release from imprisonment. JACKSON was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$12,000, and MARSHALL must make restitution in the amount of \$60,000.

Both of the Nibbs are scheduled for sentencing on December 20 at 10:00 a.m. before Judge McKinney.

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